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GETTING RIGHT DOWN TO BUSINESS

Directors of Greater Western North Carolina Association Hold Effective Meeting in Asheville

TUG OF WAR SOON TO BEGIN.

Charter Obtained, Constitution and By-Laws Adopted and Committee Chairmen Appointed.—Prospectus Ready for Distribution and Will Be Presented To Various Counties at Once For Consideration, and Report of What They Accomplished.

(Asheville Citizen 16th.)

At the meeting of the directors of the Greater Western North Carolina association in Asheville yesterday the reports of committees on by-laws and a prospectus were adopted, other committees were named and a volume of business tending toward a more thorough and perfect organization was disposed of.

The meeting was a representative one, members being present from every county in the organization except Madison. The session, which lasted for several hours, was a very harmonious one and as a result of much exchanging of ideas, without the presence of "hot air" and "complimentary" speeches, considerable important business was transacted.

The meeting was called to order by President W. F. Breese, Jr., of Brevard, after which N. Buckner submitted a revised copy of the by-laws presented to the meeting of the directors in Hendersonville. This report was adopted with some slight changes after which Mr. Breese submitted the prospectus with a form of blank notes that had been printed. These were also adopted.

Will Employ Manager.

The by-laws provide that a manager shall be employed by the directors to devote his whole time to the affairs of the association and that the greater amount of the business shall be transacted by him; that no appropriation or expenditure of money shall be made by the board of directors or by the organization for any other than the strictly legitimate purpose of the organization; that the directors shall meet once every three months and at the annual meeting report full details of the work done, results secured and the general condition of the association; that the board of directors shall elect annually a chairman of the following committees, the chairman of which shall be a member of the board of directors; publicity, agriculture, live stock and poultry, fruit, culture, mines and minerals, transportation education, industries, hotels, and boarding houses and real estate sanitation and health, legislation, good roads, statistics, forestry, water power and conservation.

The initiation fee will be \$1 and the annual dues will also be \$1. The by-laws further provide that any member that gets three months in arrears in dues or ceases to conform to qualifications provided for shall be considered as having surrendered his membership in the association. Any member working in opposition to the purposes of the organization will be suspended on a majority vote of the directors.

Chairmen of Committees.

A chairman for each of the foregoing committees was elected. He will appoint one person from each county included in the association to act with him and it will be their duty to collect data and general information in their respective lines and report to the executive committee or the directors.

The executive committee will constitute the publicity committee of the association. It was decided that this was by far the most important committee and that the duties connected therewith should be performed by the executive committee.

Following are the chairman of the committees and their respective counties, it having been decided that they appoint other members of the committees, one from each county later: T. T. Ballinger, Polk, agriculture; T. L. Gwyn, Haywood, live stock and poultry; W. T. Lindsey, Polk, fruit culture; D. R. Harris, Jackson, mines and minerals; D. Harris, Buncombe, education; N. Buckner, Buncombe, industries, R. L. Gash Transylvania, hotels and boarding houses and real estate; Dr. C. E. Cotton, Buncombe,

sanitation and health; P. F. Patton, Henderson, good roads, M. L. Shipman, Henderson, statistics; G. S. Powell, Buncombe, water power, forestry and conservation; Guy V. Roberts, Madison legislation. The election of a chairman on the transportation committee was postponed until the next meeting.

Persons who were elected to the chairmanship of the committees who have not been made directors of the association will be appointed such, as each county can have an unlimited number of directors but only three votes from each county will be effective.

As to Annual Fair.

The following were appointed on a committee to look into the advisability of holding an annual Western North Carolina fair for the benefit of the association: D. Harris, chairman, Buncombe; Jonathan Case, Henderson, A. D. Boone, Haywood; S. W. Enloe, Jackson; W. H. Duckworth, Transylvania; W. H. Stearns, Polk; Plato Ebbs, Madison.

It was decided after some discussion that the powers of the board of directors be conferred upon the executive committee with power to act upon things pertaining to the association's work.

No Delay.

Mr. Breese stated that he thought it would be good policy to push the work of the association without delay as there was no time to be lost.

S. H. Hardwick, passenger traffic manager of the Southern, was inclined to this view, but did not think it would be good policy to get discouraged if encouragement was not shown at this particular season in view of the fact that Christmas holidays are near. He expressed the opinion that work should begin as early as possible in order that an advertising campaign might be launched for the purpose of getting northern tourists now in Florida interested in Western North Carolina whereby they would be induced to stop over on their way back north in March.

Mr. Shipman stated that he wanted to have time to work up sentiment in the rural districts of Henderson county.

It was decided by the meeting that each county would want to be prepared to say at the next meeting what could be done in the way of financial support so it was decided to hold the next meeting of the directors in Asheville on January 18 at 11:30 o'clock a. m.

The secretary was instructed to furnish all the newspapers in the territory included in the organization, with copies of the prospectus and to encourage publicity as much as possible.

Those in Attendance.

The following were in attendance yesterday: S. H. Hardwick, M. V. Richards, J. H. Wood and T. E. Warringer, representing the Southern Railway company; W. E. Breese and R. L. Gash of Brevard; F. W. Miller and B. J. Sloan of Waynesville; D. R. Harris, Jackson county; C. N. Justice and J. T. Bailey of Canton; W. T. Lindsey and T. T. Ballinger of Tryon; D. Harris, N. Buckner and H. W. Plummer of Asheville; M. L. Shipman of Hendersonville.

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